Tom Horne Superintendent



## ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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## ARIZONA SCHOOLS CHIEF TOM HORNE TO RECEIVE "ARTS ADVOCACY AWARD" FOR HIS PUBLIC SUPPORT OF MUSIC EDUCATION

PHOENIX (Thursday, January 13, 2005) -- Arizona Schools Chief Tom Horne will perform and speak tomorrow at the 2005 Arizona Music Educators Association conference at the Mesa Marriot and Convention Center. The conference is an annual professional development convention for Arizona music teachers.

"We are pleased to honor Superintendent Horne for his continued support of arts education. Studies have shown that a student who receives a quality arts education, performs better academically, gains important workplace skills and develops into a better rounded student," said Ken Jaeger, President of the Arizona Music Educators Association.

Horne, a classical pianist, will perform at the conference for approximately 600 Arizona educators.

WHO: ARIZONA SCHOOLS CHIEF TOM HORNE TO RECEIVE

ARTS ADVOCACY AWARD

WHERE: MESA MARRIOT AND CONVENTION CENTER

200 NORTH CENTENNIAL WAY

**CENTENNIAL HALL** 

WHEN: FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 2005

TIME: 9:15 A.M.